January 18, 2002

Ms. Renata B. Hesse Antitrust Division U.S. Department of Justice 601 D Street NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Ms. Hesse,

The settlement of the Microsoft antitrust case can help our nation's struggling economy begin to improve.

Employers are challenged by the downswing in the economy. Many workers are seeking employment after being laid off.. NASDAQ and technology stocks have been directly affected by the Microsoft lawsuit since the spring of 2000.

It is imperative to draw closure to this litigation. I see that this is important to improve our economy and to encourage consumers. I urge you to agree with the settlement of the proposed Final Judgment antitrust case against Microsoft Corporation.

Sincerely,

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